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Monthly Meeting Minutes 7:00 pm June 10, 2014 Winchester Hall, 3rd floor

Commissioners Present: Christine Ferguson, Valerie Dougherty, Tish Honse, Sharon Dobson, Diana Halleman, Susan Mender, Veralynn Morris, Marcela Perez, Olga Hernandez-Smith, Shellome Walters, Michelle Nusum-Smith

Absent Commissioners: Linda Roth, Natalie Abbas, Cynthia Miller, Ashley Collier **Guests**: Rosario Campos, Dawn Konave, Darylle Smoot, Annie Jones, Savannah Riddle, Chloe Scott, Jennifer Charleton-Shuldes, Janice Brown, Victoria Zevallos-Woods, Sara Chaves, Teresa Mena, Miles Ward, Leslie Barnes, Angela Spencer, Nina Carr, Shannon Fawlker, Teresa Smith, Jeanne Albert

I. President's Report and Announcements

- a. The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Commissioner Ferguson.
- b. Commissioners, guests, and volunteers introduced themselves.
- c. May 13, 2014 Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Halleman moved that minutes be approved. Commissioner Morris seconded. Motion passed unanimously
- d. Speaker Jeanne Albert of the Maryland Coalition gave a presentation about Human Trafficking. She provided handouts and answered several questions. She asked the FCCFW to host a public awareness event. The Coalition will help to orchestrate it. Discussion ensured and Commissioner Ferguson passed out a sign-up sheet for anyone who might be interested in joining an ad hoc committee. Guests from other organizations who were in attendance were included. Once the FCCFW determines the amount of interest, a decision will be made regarding the event. FCCFW may choose to host and/or partner with other organizations.
- e. Announcements: Commissioner Ferguson provided information regarding Maryland Insurance and on upcoming events.
- f. Calendar of Events: Any calendar updates should be sent to Commissioner Ferguson.
- II. **Financial Report:** Commissioner Dougherty reported that the Maryland Women's Commission bank account will be closed by the end of June 2014.

Our Mission: To create a stronger community by addressing challenges and fostering unlimited opportunities for all women.



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III. Committee/Liaison Reports:

- a. Legislative Commissioners Honse reported that the committee will meet on Thursday, June 12 to begin planning candidate forums. She distributed applications for absentee ballots to all commissioners and asked that they provide them to anyone who may need them.
- b. **Marketing** Marketing continues to evaluate the options for the ordering of a new booth and should provide some options over the summer
- c. Outreach Commissioner Hernandez-Smith reported on the Outreach committee stating that the commissioners have been active in community activities and provided information on upcoming events.
- d. **Recruitment** Applicants Annie Jones, Chloe Scott and Savannah Riddle talked about why they are interested in becoming involved in the Commission for Women.
- IV. Old Business:
 - a. None.
- V. New Business:
 - a. Sixteen people signed up for the ad hoc committee on Human Trafficking.
 Commissioner Ferguson will send an email to all of those who are interested and will set up a meeting..
- VI. **Adjournment**: Commissioner Halleman moved and Commissioner Mender seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed by unanimous vote. The next public meeting will be Tuesday, August 11, 2014.